

Parks Operator - Horticulturalist

The Town of BWG is looking for a highly motivated and organized individual to join our parks operations team with the Community Services Department, Leisure Services Division.

Reporting to the Supervisor of Parks and Property, this position will be responsible for maintaining horticultural and landscape elements by performing a variety of duties to maintain public parks, open spaces, trails, sports fields, outdoor rinks splash pads and other facilitates. This position will design and maintain areas that includes preparation and planting of annuals, trees, perennials, shrubs, as well as the watering, pruning, fertilizing, cultivating and mulching of beds and gardens. In addition, the position will inspect and treat plants, trees and shrubs for general health, insect infestation or disease and load/unload materials and deliver to various locations including parks, facilities and the main street. This role will be responsible for the operation, maintenance and inspection of various parks and facilities, including but not limited to general repairs, painting, building and maintaining of outdoor rinks, playgrounds, cleaning, collecting refuse, snow removal at certain Town sites and maintenance of the departments shop and equipment. This position will be responsible for the maintenance of sports fields and turf maintenance including layouts of fields and multi-purpose sports pads, grooming, irrigation systems, cutting/trimming, top dressing, over seeding, fertilizing, aerating, sodding, and watering. Additional duties include completing daily reports, responding to public inquiries, working with volunteers in support of special events and landscape projects.

Preferred candidates will have a diploma or certificate in horticulture and two to three years of horticultural experience. Preference will be given to those with municipal parks experience, including horticulture and previous experience leading casual/seasonal staff. Preference will be given to those who are a certified Pesticide Technician, a Canadian Certified Playground Inspector through CPSI. Experience operating various types of motor vehicles and mechanized grounds, garden and turf maintenance equipment is required and ability to qualify for the Town equipment operating permits and requirements. The candidate will have demonstrated mechanical skills and the ability to perform basic building maintenance. Working knowledge of related legislation and Occupational Health and Safety Act is needed. Ability to communicate effectively, professionally and courteously with all levels of staff, contractors and the general public is required. The candidate will possess a valid Ontario class G driver's license in good standing and will be required to submit a Vulnerable Sector Screening upon hire.

The Town offers an hourly range of \$22.71 to \$27.99 per hour (2018 rates; International Union of Operating Engineers, Local 793). Scheduled shifts are days, Monday to Friday, with occasional weekends, as needed.

To explore this challenging opportunity further, we invite qualified applicants to forward their resume and cover letter in confidence, quoting file number **2019-PH03** by 4:00 p.m. on **Wednesday, April 17th, 2019** to:

Town of Bradford West Gwillimbury, Human Resources Department 100 Dissette St, PO Box 251, Bradford, Ontario L3Z 2A8 Fax: 905 775-8633 or email hr@townofbwg.com www.townofbwg.com

We thank all applicants for their interest. However, only those being considered for an interview will be contacted. In accordance with the Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act, personal information is collected under the authority of the Municipal Act, and will only be used for candidate selection.

The Town of Bradford West Gwillimbury is an equal opportunity employer. Accommodations will be provided throughout the recruitment, hiring and employment process in accordance with the AODA and the Ontario Human Rights Code.